



UNITED STATES



GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

President Joseph R. BIDEN Jr.

Head of Government

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Government Type

constitutional federal republic

Capital

Washington, DC

Legislature

bicameral Congress consists of the Senate (100 seats) and the House of Representatives (435 seats)

Judiciary

US Supreme Court (consists of 9 justices - the chief justice and 8 associate justices)

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 9,833,517 sq km

Land: 9,147,593 sq km

Water: 685,924 sq km

Climate

mostly temperate, but tropical in Hawaii and Florida, arctic in Alaska, semiarid in the great plains west of the Mississippi River, and arid in the Great Basin of the southwest; low winter temperatures in the northwest are ameliorated occasionally in January and February by warm chinook winds from the eastern slopes of the Rocky Mountains

Natural Resources

coal, copper, lead, molybdenum, phosphates, rare earth elements, uranium, bauxite, gold, iron, mercury, nickel, potash, silver, tungsten, zinc, petroleum, natural gas, timber, arable land

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

remains the most technologically powerful economy in the world – at the forefront in computers, pharmaceuticals, aerospace and military equipment – but its advantages have narrowed since WWII, with output now falling behind China’s, as investment in infrastructure, science, industry, and human capital have lagged

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$20.52 trillion (2019 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$62,530 (2019 est.)

Exports

\$2.377 trillion (2019 est.)

partners: Canada 18.3%, Mexico 15.7%, China 8.4%, Japan 4.4% (2017)

Imports

\$3.214 trillion (2019 est.)

partners: China 21.6%, Mexico 13.4%, Canada 12.8%, Japan 5.8%, Germany 5% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

335 million (July 2021 est.)

Population Growth

0.7% (2021 est.)

Ethnicity

white 72.4%, black 12.6%, Asian 4.8%, Amerindian and Alaska native 0.9%, native Hawaiian and other Pacific islander 0.2%, other 6.2%, two or more races 2.9% (2010 est.)

Language

English only 78.2%, Spanish 13.4%, Chinese 1.1%, other 7.3% (2017 est.)

Religion

Protestant 46.5%, Roman Catholic 20.8%, Jewish 1.9%, Mormon 1.6%, other 5.8%, unaffiliated 22.8%, unspecified 0.6% (2014 est.)

Urbanization

urban population: 82.7% of total population (2020)

rate of urbanization: 0.95% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

